

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 330

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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Kenneth Adkins of Hamilton County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Kenneth Adkins, an exemplary gentleman who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a lifelong resident of Lookout Valley, Mr. Adkins was a 1958 graduate of Central High School and attended the University of Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, lovingly known as "Motor Doc," Kenneth Adkins served assiduously at the Electric Power Board as shop supervisor in the Automotive Maintenance department until the time of his retirement; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adkins was active in the Chattanooga Central Camp of the Gideons and served as a volunteer at the Hamilton County Baptist Ministry Center; and

WHEREAS, Kenneth Adkins was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Anita McCalla Adkins, for fifty-three years until the time of her passing; their blessed union produced two children, Kenneth Lamar Adkins and Vicki Lynn (James) Goldsmith; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his children, he is survived by his grandchildren, Michael Adkins, Timothy Goldsmith, and Olivia Goldsmith; his brother, Ray (Charlotte) Adkins; his sister, Doris Adkins Ellis; and his niece, Cara (Jonathan) Woolsey; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents, Ben and Dimple Adkins, and his grandparents, Harvey and Katie Caldwell Brown and John and Emma Adkins; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adkins leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity, probity, and valor in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly wishes to honor the memory of this exceptional human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory and celebrate the life of Kenneth Adkins, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Adkins.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.